(c) By periodic meetings the progress is monitored. Government of Orissa has now assured availability of land for the project.

Rehabilitation of ousted people

2993. SHRI KULDIP NAYYAR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any record of people ousted from their land to make place for dams:

(b) if so, the number of such persons; and

(c) for how many years they remained unrehabilitated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (c) Irrigation being a state subject, the responsibility of planning, investigation, funding alongwith priority, execution, operation and maintenance of irrigation projects, including irrigation and flood control primarily rests with the concerned State Governments themselves. The State Governments being the owners of the dams, it is the responsibility of the concerned State Governments to Resettle & Rehabilitate the project affected persons. Various State Governments have evolved their own Resettlement & Rehabilitation policies in respect of the project affected persons taking into account the local conditions. The data on project affected persons or going to be displaced by construction of the dams are not maintained by the Central Government.

Irrigation water supply to Chhattisgarh

2994. SHRI JHUMUK LAL BHENDIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a fall in the quantity of irrigation water supplied to Chhattisgarh:

(b) if so, the year-wise details of water utilization in Chhattisgarh for irrigation purpose during the last three years;

(c) whether this quantity of irrigation water received by Chhattisgarh will be maintained every year; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?